



October 2023

Whatever happened to Bogie Tree and what is replacing it?

Bogie Tree has been suspended from Google Groups for an unknown reason. When I, as the administrator of Bogie Tree, log in to the group, this message comes up on my screen:



Banned content warning

Bogie Tree has been identified as containing spam, malware or other malicious content.

Is this message correct? I cannot say. None of the emails which were posted to Bogie Tree just prior to this message appearing showed any sign of any of spam, malware or other malicious content. I have heard that Google (Bogie Tree is a Google group) has upgraded its compliance bots, so maybe we have been incorrectly suspended. In any case, Bogie Tree is still suspended and is not accessible.

So we can continue to communicate with each other, I have created **Strathbogie Tree** (to replace Bogie Tree). Bogie Tree had 503 members (email addresses). I am guessing some of these are no longer used or belong to people no longer living here, or are incorrect addresses. Rather than migrating every address to Strathbogie Tree, I thought it best to send out invitations to every email in the list, requesting people to respond and accept the invitation to join. This will allow me to weed out redundant addresses.

I have sent invitations to everyone who was on Bogie Tree, so if you haven't seen yours, it is most likely caught up in the spam folder on your device. To date (26th Sept) I have added 268 members on **Strathbogie Tree**.

If this is the first you have heard of **Strathbogie Tree** and wish to be included in our new email group, please look in the SPAM folder on your device and accept this new invitation by clicking or tapping the **ACCEPT** button.

If you get an error message, or cannot locate the invitation, please email me directly on stuartb446@gmail.com and I will add you.

Remember, to post messages on the new **Strathbogie Tree**, you will need to use the following email address strathbogie-tree@googlegroups.com

All the best,

Stuart Bridgman



What's On

Oct 3 Swanpool Cinema AGM 7pm

Oct 3 & Nov 15 Community group workshops. See p3

Oct 4 Hall AGM. See p7

Oct 7, 10, 17 & 23 Senior's Festival events. See p10

Oct 8 Landcare Field Day See p9

Oct 17 & 18 Happy Sad Man See p7

Oct 20 Draft Fire Management Plan submissions close. See p11

Oct 29 Bushfire Sunday See p11

Nov 3—7 Strathbogie Cup Weekend Festival see p10

Nov 4 Boho Sth car boot sale. See p10

Every Last Saturday of the Month

Strathbogie Golf Club Community Meals.

Every First Monday of the month - Strathbogie Tableland History Group meets 1.30pm, Strathbogie Memorial Hall. strathbogiehistory@gmail.com

Every Second Wednesday of the month - Strathbogie Memorial Hall Committee meets 7pm in the Soldiers Room. Enq Mary Wynne 0419 592 211

Every Wednesday - Material Girls - usual times 10am - Rec Ground - BYO lunch. Newcomers welcome
Ph: Jill Smith 5790 5159.

Every Wednesday - 7.30pm
Strathbogie Singing Group -
St Andrews Church
Ph: Di Mackrell 5790 5241

Every Second and Fourth Sunday
Church service at St Andrews Church -
Strathbogie 11.00am

Every First Wednesday of the month -
1.30pm Strathbogie Garden Group.
Co-ordinator Kay Righetti
0418 171 439

Every Fourth Saturday of the month -
Australian Plants Society Group
meeting Pete 0402 882 959

Every Third Sunday 10am STAG
Committee at the Hall. All welcome.

Tennis at the Recreation Reserve.
Enquiries about social tennis: contact
Secretary Mayra Walsh 0423 475 564

Euroa Cinema

Rachel's Farm Oct 1 4pm PG
EO Oct 6 8pm MA15+
Past lives Oct 7 8pm M
My big fat Greek wedding 3 Oct 14 PG
Retribution Oct 21 4pm M
October community choice Oct 28 & Oct 29 4pm. Vote at <https://share.strathbogie.vic.gov.au/> or phone 1800 065 993 (BH)

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Letter to the Editor

Swanpool CINEMA

Quant M Oct 1 6pm
Haut Couture M Oct 1 8pm
The Miracle Club Oct 6 10.30am, Oct 7 & 8 6pm
The unlikely pilgrimage of Harold Fry M Oct 7 & 8 8pm
The Innocent M Oct 14 & 15 6pm
Saint Omer M Oct 14 & 15 8.30pm
Red, White and Brass PG Oct 20 10.30am, Oct 21 & 22 6pm
Broker M Oct 21 & 22 8pm
Oppenheimer MA15+ Oct 28 & 29 6pm

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Contribute to Tableland Talk

Our community newsletter relies on community contributions to publish. We are all about sharing and enjoying Tableland stories and activities. Send us your local tall tales and true, photos and sketches, community and business advertisements. We love to hear from community members of all ages. See email below >>>>

Tableland Talk is a community newsletter run by volunteers.

This newsletter is entirely made up of contributions. Contributions to this newsletter are published as a forum for public discussion.

The opinions expressed are the opinions of the contributors and not necessarily the opinions of the TT Team. By publishing contributions this newsletter does not give its authority to the truth or validity of the material contained in contributions.

Readers are reminded that all contributions **MUST** be submitted with the name and address of the writer.

We would appreciate it if all invoices for advertising are paid in full, and promptly - we have to pay to publish.

The TT Team

For information regarding the Violet Town Village Voice or to get an emailed copy each month contact Abbey Ferguson at villagevoice@violettown.org.au online at www.violettown.org.au

Cartoon by Peta Manning



Jokes of the Month

I went to the cemetery yesterday and there were 3 pall bearers walking around with a coffin. 3 hours later they were still there. I thought to myself, "These people have lost the plot!"

Did you hear about the man who drowned in his muesli? A strong currant pulled him in.

The surest sign that intelligent life exists elsewhere in the universe is that they have never tried to contact us.

Mobile Library

Dates for Strathbogie:

October 7 and 21
 10.00 - 12 noon

Every 2nd Saturday



Strathbogie Memorial Hall

Available for hire— \$150 with \$250 refundable deposit in case carpet cleaning is required.

Bookings contact person is Mary Wynne
 Ph 0419 592211

Strathbogie Recreation Ground

All bookings are to be made with
 Kim Usher
 5790 5345

The Deadline for the November edition of Tableland Talk is Thursday, October 26, 2023.

e: tablelandtalk@gmail.com, m: 0400 019 607

Preferred formats: Word or Publisher files, font Arial 11, convert pdf to jpeg, images <250k. TT Team.

Strathbogie had SPOKEN



On Sunday September 24th BogArts came together to present eight Strathbogie Shire orators for an engaging two hours of spoken word performance to an appreciative audience. The venue was once again St Andrews Church on Main Street. The outstanding acoustics and intimate space is perfect for speakers and audience to become one with the stories.

The variety of works was something special and the enthusiastic audience participation really added to the pleasure of the occasion. MC Sean Mathews introduced the program and kicked things off with a poem reflecting a topic on many people's minds at present "The day the fire actually came." Sim Ayres told us a story of being cold and wet in furious Welsh storms amongst fearful campers in a place steeped in dreadful mythology. Dana Last read a classic "The Lorax," a predictive Dr Suess tale of environmental degradation and very meaningful nonsense vocabulary. Michael Flatt recited his evocative works on things you observe in the hot, dry, quiet desert. Dayle Tame asked the audience to finish a story about a man, a baby, a pram and a train. Which they did in many interesting ways. John O'Brien presented his wild and harrowing recollections of the day of the October floods last year and some of his great poems featured in Tableland Talk. Kate Long related a painful Canadian tale/tail about eating yourself or something like beef jerky to survive. Was there a moral in there too? Bruce Hunt-Hughes wove a spell over the audience with a moving personal reflection. Sean wrapped up the afternoon with a tribute to Les Murray, an absolutely extraordinary poet.

BogArts would like to thank the Church Committee for use of their special place and Uniting Church Insurance for the free public liability insurance on the day.

Sean Mathews

Enhancing community groups with free workshops



Strathbogie Shire Council is hosting free workshops to assist not-for-profit community groups in building their skills. The Not-For-Profit Community Capacity Building Workshops will be held online or in person covering two topics.

Strathbogie Shire Council Mayor Cr Laura Binks said the first workshop 'Good Governance for Not-For-Profits' provided governance training for not-for-profit board or management committee members, upskilling new members and refreshing established members. "The session will be jam-packed with governance information, and great tips and ideas. It will delve into good practice, compliance, effective planning, and risk management," Cr

Binks said. "We know that the requirements for governance continue to increase for community groups."

Cr Binks said the second topic 'Succession Planning for Not-For-Profits' steps participants through a simple framework for effective Succession Planning. "It also includes lots of advice and practical tips on how to ensure participants effectively prepare for, plan for, and implement their succession strategies," Cr Binks said.

Event and booking details are as follows: •

Good Governance for Not-For-Profits | 3 October 2023, 3-6pm Online or in-person at Strathbogie Shire Council, 109a Binney St, Euroa. <https://events.humanitix.com/good-governance-strathbogie-shire-council-october2023> •

Succession Planning for Not-For-Profits | 15 November 2023, 3-6pm Online or in-person at Strathbogie Shire Council, 109a Binney St, Euroa. <https://events.humanitix.com/succession-planning-strathbogie-shire-council-november-2023>



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Strathbogie Tree

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Strathbogie-Tree is our unofficial Strathbogie Tableland bush telegraph. It is an email list based on Google Groups and covers a fair percentage of the Tableland population and friends (both transient and permanent). Through this, we share the following information and more:

- Lifts / rides / car shares
- Requests for assistance
- Offers of assistance
- Local job advertisements
- Lost / missing animals or people!

- Announcements of social activities / get-togethers
- Fire sightings / road washouts
- Any other thing you might want to contact other Tablelanders about
- Information on your local business or service

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To learn more or join Strathbogie-Tree, please send an email to Stuart on stuartb446@gmail.com or call on 0422 408 915



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STRATHBOGIE TABLELAND ACTION GROUP (STAG) Inc.

COMMUNICATIONS SUB COMMITTEE

Annual Report 2023

This subcommittee continues to meet monthly online via Teams. Due to workload Dayle Tame is no longer a member of the group. We thank Dayle for her valuable contribution over many years.

The Communications Subcommittee manage:

Strathbogie Tableland Website www.strathbogie.org

Tableland Talk

Bogie Tree

Strathbogie Tableland Community Directory

Strathbogie Tableland Community Website

Throughout this year we have continued to audit the website. We have contacted community groups and as a result pages have been added, removed or revised. Website content is current and relevant and we are continuing to work on the general appearance.

Assistance is available for all groups who would like to add a page or would like training to manage their page. Contact us at bogieweb@strathbogie.org

The registration of the domain name strathbogie.org is currently with Delamere.org and the website host is bluehost.com. Johnno O'Brien provides the technical skill required to maintain the website. We are fortunate to have Johnno's skills and commitment.

We are committed to improving the appearance, flexibility and usefulness of the website. We look forward to an exciting year ahead and welcome community input.

Tableland Talk

Tableland Talk continues to provide a valuable source of information across the tableland on a monthly basis. It has continued to grow in size and significance providing a wonderful avenue for advertising, community discussion and reporting on events of local interest.

STAG funded a new computer dedicated to Tableland Talk earlier this year. Until recently Tableland Talk was printed on the STAG photocopier. As it has passed its use by date the printing is now outsourced to Euroa Printers and the photocopier is no longer available for community use.

We particularly acknowledge the tireless work of Sean Mathews who has sourced contributions, and compiled and printed Tableland Talk each month. We also wish to acknowledge the distribution team members Ben and Olwyn Brook who have recently retired after many years folding and distributing Tableland Talk in the Boho area. This work is now carried out by John and Heather Pearce. We also appreciate the contribution of Juana McKeachie in managing the accounts.

Bogie Tree (now Strathbogie-Tree)

The Bogie Tree Google Group was originally an offshoot from the Google Group set up to manage SCOFF (Strathbogie Community of Food Finders). Bogie Tree has developed into a remarkable resource used by most on the Tableland. It is used in many ways. The primary role is as a noticeboard enabling ride sharing; advertising local functions; arranging pickups; advice regarding stock on roads and trees down; sharing information from the Strathbogie Shire; and also, for selling and giving away just about anything.

Although there have been a number of managers Johnno O'Brien has worked tirelessly in all roles especially as moderator. We are grateful to Stuart Bridgman who has taken on the moderation role with support, as required, from Sean Mathews. It has recently been offline due to an issue with Google.

Strathbogie Tableland Community Directory

The Strathbogie Tableland Community Directory, first published in 2012 and updated in 2018 is still a valuable tool in many households. The online version will continue to be updated periodically.

STAG Communications Subcommittee - Helen Peters, Sean Mathews, Fiona Townsend, Johnno O'Brien, Stuart Bridgman and Ellen Conroy



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Hello Tablelanders from the Strathbogie Memorial Hall Committee



What a progressive and productive year it's been for **Strathbogie Memorial Hall**. The commitment and collaboration from our team of volunteers and the Shire of Strathbogie, has allowed us to complete many long awaited projects at our much loved hall. This year, we've been fortunate to have the hall roof replaced, and WIFI installed (thanks to the successful grant from FRRR).

With **YOUR** help, we have been successful in the latest round of "Pitch my Project". The project to upgrade the hall stage aims to engage, create, and unite our community. The preservation and modernisation of the stage space will allow us to host a multitude of events including musical, movies, arts, meetings, conferences, celebrations within the main hall space. We hope to commence these works very soon.

Our Strathbogie Memorial Hall is the hub of our community, and it's always been our priority to preserve this incredible centrepiece that was built by the community for the community. It's a wonderful asset that we can all be very proud of, and we need to keep proactively fundraising for its conservation and future generations. We have a vision for the hall to be fully sustainable, with hopes to put solar on the roof, and modernise and upgrade the kitchen.

We always welcome fundraising ideas, grants and initiatives, bookings for events, and new volunteers to our committee.

Our upcoming AGM is being held in the Soldiers Room on October 4th, 7pm. All welcome.

Thanks for your support throughout the year,

Kylie Penny, Chairperson on behalf of the Committee of Management, Strathbogie Memorial Hall

FamilyCare Celebrates Carers Week 2023 with Special Movie Screening of Happy Sad Man.

FamilyCare, GV Health and Wellways, are thrilled to announce a captivating event as part of the Carers Week 2023 celebrations. A special screening of the documentary film Happy Sad Man will be hosted to honor and recognize the invaluable contribution of carers in our community. The event is not only for carers but also open to the public, aiming to raise awareness and promote discussions around mental health and caregiving.

Filmmaker Genevieve Bailey will also be in attendance providing the opportunity for a Q&A at the end of the screening. There will be light refreshments provided to encourage everyone to stay and debrief about the complex issues raised in the film.

National Carers Week will run from Sunday 15 to Saturday 21 October 2023. It is a time to recognise, celebrate and raise awareness about the 2.65 million Australians who provide care and support to a family member or friend.

Event Details:

Date: Tues 17th Oct Time: Doors open at 6.30pm. Movie begins at 7pm. Event concludes at 9pm

Date: Wed 18th Oct Time: Doors open at 12.30pm. Movie begins at 1pm. Event concludes at 3pm

Venue: The University of Melbourne, Department of Rural Health Address: 49 Graham Street, Shepparton VIC. Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/3QJZtmN>

Happy Sad Man is an insightful documentary that delves into the lives of men who navigate the complexities of mental health, sharing their stories of vulnerability, resilience, and personal growth. By showcasing these stories, the film aims to challenge stereotypes and initiate meaningful conversations around mental well-being.

"I believe that when mental health, men's health and problematic stereotypes around masculinity are not spoken about openly. Not only do our men suffer but so do the women, children and non-binary people in their lives. The stigma has been shifting over the last few years but there is still a long way to go. I am proud to be part of these conversations. The time is now." – Genevieve Bailey, Filmmaker.

FamilyCare is a leading community service organization committed to enhancing the lives of families, carers, and individuals. FamilyCare is also one of the providers for Carer Gateway services. Carer Gateway is a national program that provides a range of free services and support just for carers.

GV Health is a leading healthcare provider that strives to deliver exceptional care and support to the community.

Wellways is a national mental health and disability support organization. Their comprehensive programs and services are designed to empower individuals and promote mental well-being.

Molly Stephens (she/her) m: 0477 741 926 e: mstephens@familycare.net.au Marketing &



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Planting Beautiful Bogie Trees at David Steen's



On Wednesday the 27th of September, we gathered at David Steen's farm in Creek Junction to plant some trees as part of our Landcare/Pizza for trees program. We had a mix of species, including Narrow and Broad Leaved Peppermints (*Eucalyptus radiata* and *E. dives*), Manna gums (*E. viminalis*), Blue Gums (*E. globulus*) and Blackwood Wattle (*Acacia melanoxylon*). You will notice the latter are currently in flower on the Tablelands, with their beautiful pale lemon blossom. They flower a tad later up here compared to

many areas with lower elevation. David had ripped the area so our planting progressed quickly, and we had lovely views as we worked on this superb, mild, sunny Spring day. We were also able to do a follow up plant at Eddie and Virginia Krummins property – what a bonus. A big thankyou to our planting team. Despite a late start to our planting this year, we have supplied or planted trees at over 10 locations across the Tablelands.

I know that many of you must be seeing some wonderful native trees around the Strathbogies, so why not contribute a photo of your favourites for Tableland Talk? Please send photos, and indicate the locality, plus a short paragraph if you wish, (or contact me and I can write something for you). Email to: kathstuart60@gmail.com a few days before the last Friday of each month or send directly to the Tableland Talk team at: tablelandtalk@gmail.com *Photos and text: Kath Handasyde*

Strathbogie Tableland Landcare

Sunday 8th October at the Strathbogie Rec Ground **** Date for your diary ****

Pasture Establishment and Weed Control Field Day

11.00am until 1.30pm including lunch

The productivity of your property is governed to a large degree by your control of weeds and the quality of grasses you grow. Your livestock will grow better and faster with better grasses and less weeds.

On September 8th Strathbogie Tableland Landcare will be holding a Field Day at the Strathbogie Rec Ground where we will have speakers and demonstrations regarding:

- * dealing with a range of weeds,
- * methods for soil improvement,
- * soil testing,
- * establishing better pasture,
- * pasture species that handle our conditions,
- * We also plan to include a demonstration of drone spraying – ideal for steep or inaccessible country.

Planned for 11.00am until 1.30pm including lunch. You will need to book so we know how many will be attending. (Booking details to follow soon) Please put a note in your diary now. Not to be missed !

More info or questions to Peter Righetti, secretary on 0418 148 511

Strathbogie

CUP WEEKEND FESTIVAL 3rd November – 7th November 2023

TUESDAY - 10TH OCTOBER

11am - 2023 Lexus Melbourne Cup coming to Strathbogie

FRIDAY - 3RD NOVEMBER

Camping opens

SATURDAY - 4TH NOVEMBER

10.30 am Croquet and High Tea Luncheon at "Fernside".
6pm Bush Dance, 2 Course Dinner and Bar at the Memorial Hall
Featuring the Briagolong Bush Band

SUNDAY - 5TH NOVEMBER

9.30 am Tennis Tournament Sausage Sizzle Lunch
11.30am Face Painting by Cherry Princess
1.30pm Kids Sports 6pm 3 course Italian Feast

MONDAY - 6TH NOVEMBER

10.30am Golf Tournament
10.30am Guided Cemetery Tour
12.30pm Gourmet BBQ Luncheon
5pm Sth African Waghu Dinner and Live Music at Seven Creeks Wagyu
Featuring Fem Belling

TUESDAY - 7TH NOVEMBER

12pm Cup Day Spectacular Lunch and events



MORE INFORMATION

0438 005 622

www.strathbogiecupweekendfestival.com
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GV Orchestra Performance

Date: 7th October 2023 | Time: 11:00 AM | Venue: Euroa Community Cinema

Admission: Free event with morning tea

Join us for a delightful performance by the Goulburn Valley Concert Orchestra, a diverse community ensemble celebrating the joy of music.

Bookings: https://events.humanitix.com/gv_orchestra_strathbogie_shire

GV Country Concert - Beatlez Tribute Show

In conjunction with Victorian Seniors Festival, Greater Shepparton, Moira Shire, and Benalla Rural City

Date: 10th October 2023 | Time: 2:00PM | Venue: Riverlinks Eastbank - 70 Welsford St. Shepparton

Tickets: Book through riverlinksevenues.com.au, or call 03 5832 9511 | Cost: \$5

Get ready to groove to the Beatlez Tribute Show, celebrating the timeless music of The Beatles.

Separate bookings for FREE buses from Euroa and Nagambie at:
<https://events.humanitix.com/strathbogie-shire-council-bus-to-beatlez-tribute-show>

Explorers Way Tour

Date: 17th October | Time: 10AM - 3:30PM

Embark on a historic journey along the Explorers Way with our bus departing from Nagambie or Violet Town. Discover the Major Mitchell Bicentennial Trail and follow in the footsteps of Hume and Hovell. Along the way, engage with local historic groups at stops to gain valuable insights into the area's rich heritage.

Book your seat on the tour bus via
<https://events.humanitix.com/explorers-way-tour>

Free Movie Screening

Date: 23rd October 2023 | Time: 10:30 AM

Venue: Avenel Memorial Hall

Join us for a free screening of the heartwarming movie 'The Intern' (M) and enjoy morning tea with friends.

'The Intern' (M) is a film about a retired executive who becomes a senior intern, forming an unexpected friendship with a young CEO. Together they navigate work and life challenges.

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Boho South Car Boot Sale—Letter to stall holders.

Dear Stall Holder,

The Boho South Hall Committee would like to invite you to participate in this year's Community Car Boot Sale.

This year we will be conducting a Community Car Boot Sale in conjunction with The Strathbogie Tableland Cup Weekend Festival.

The car Boot sale will be conducted on Saturday 4th November from 8am - 1pm.

Due to the limited area being allocated for Stalls I would strongly encourage you to book a site ASAP with Toni Down 0457609827 or 57908543

The Boho South Hall Committee also have an Exhibition of Art work by Echuca artist Mrs M Anne Roberts on Saturday 4th, with Devonshire Teas available.

We look forward to the ongoing growth of this Festival and encourage your support.

Yours truly,

Toni Down
L: 0357908543
M: 0457609827



BOHO SOUTH CAR BOOT SALE

CRN BONNIE DOON RD & BOUNDARY HILL
RD

SATURDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2023

DEVONSHIRE TEA AVAILABLE

ART DISPLAY BY M A ROBERTS (ECHUCA)

8AM - 1PM



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Recipe of the Month

Rosemary, lemon and garlic roast chicken with gravy.

From Julie Goodwin
Serves 4. Cooking time about 1 hour.

Ingredients

1.7-1.8kg chicken (organic or free range)
50g unsalted butter room temperature
1tbs finely chopped rosemary leaves
1/4 cup chopped flat leafed parsley
1 crushed clove of garlic
1 lemon cut in half, zest finely grated
1/2 tspn
ground black pepper
1/2 tspn salt
1 brown onion cut in half
1/4 cup of flour
2-3 cups chicken stock

Method

Preheat oven to 180C.

Rinse the chicken, pat dry with a paper towel. In a bowl combine butter, herbs, zest, garlic, salt and



pepper. Using your fingers, start at the neck, separate the skin from the breast, and top of the thighs.

Push the butter mixture under the skin and spread it evenly over breast and thigh tops. Massage the outside of the chicken as well. Place the halved lemon and onion cut side down in the base of a non stick baking dish. Add the rosemary and parsley stalks and sit the chicken atop. Put in the oven with the breast facing the back. 30 minutes later switch it round so the legs are facing the back.

To check the chicken is cooked pierce the thickest part of the thigh with a skewer. The juices should run clear. Alternatively, check if the leg is loose in its socket. The breast should be golden brown with a lovely layer of herbs underneath the skin.

Gravy

Pour off any excess butter, but retain the cooked golden bits. Remove the onion, lemon and stalks. Place the baking dish on the smallest stove element. Use a spatula to stir in the flour and turn the heat low. Add stock a little at a time, stirring until thickened after each addition.

Serve with baby chat potatoes, tabouleh and flatbread.

Ref: *Delish: our Family Favourites*. Peranbin Primary School 2012

Have your say: Draft Fire Management Plan

Strathbogie Shire Council is calling on the community's feedback on its Draft Municipal Fire Management Plan. The plan takes a collaborative approach to identify the fire risks and corresponding actions to reduce the likelihood, severity and impacts of fire within the Strathbogie Shire communities. Its overall goal is to have a fire prepared community in the Strathbogie Shire.



"Challenges such as the impact of climate change, the increasing occurrence of major fires, population and residential growth all increase the need for a coordinated and collaborative approach to strategic fire management planning," Cr Binks said. "In Victoria agencies must work collaboratively across state, regional and local government levels with our communities, and business before, during and after emergencies. "This Draft Municipal Fire Management Plan (MFMP) has been developed under legislation introduced in Victoria in 2018 to provide greater cohesion for emergency management planning in Victoria at the state, regional and municipal levels."

It is a sub-plan to the Strathbogie Municipal Emergency Management Plan (MEMP) and was developed by the Fire Management Planning Sub-Committee which is made up of representatives from the Country Fire Authority (CFA), Forest Fire Management Victoria, Victorian Police, Council and other specialist roles as required.

Through the development of the plan, the sub-committee explored the fire-related challenges, risks and opportunities within the municipality to apply a coordinated approach to managing these risks.

The draft plan is based around the following themes: 1. Community Resilience 2. Fuel Management 3. Access/Egress 4. Suppression 5. Capability

The experience and knowledge of the Committee members and partner agencies has been integral in confirming the focus of the strategies and the actions to be undertaken.

The plan will be monitored, and regularly updated with improved treatments or activities. Council is now calling on the community to provide its input to the plan. The draft plan has been reviewed by the Share Strathbogie Community Panel and after incorporating the panel's advice we're now sharing more broadly."

To have your say head to www.share.strathbogie.vic.gov.au, visit a survey station in your town, or drop into one of our Customer Service Centres. Submissions close at 5pm on Friday, October 20, 2023.

For further information: Kristin Favaloro E: Kristin.favaloro@strathbogie.vic.gov.au P: 0438 670 762

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The Many Benefits of Volunteering at Euroa Arboretum



Volunteering at the Euroa Arboretum

As a contribution to acknowledge Mental Health Awareness Day on October 10th 2023, Euroa Arboretum would like to share stories written by some of the many incredible volunteers who make up part of our team.

Here at The Euroa Arboretum there are so many opportunities to connect to nature and community. Whether it be through volunteering in the nursery or through some of the educational and fun workshops and events we run for children, such as the seed pod art workshop coming up for Children's Week or recent initiatives such as the Women's Weaving Circle.

Some Volunteer's Stories

"The Euroa Arboretum has helped us to connect to the community as new residents of Euroa. It has also allowed our children to find a sense of belonging to this area and connect with nature. Through volunteering at the Arb we have been able to contribute to the community. Even if it is

a small contribution, it further connects us with the community. My deaf son volunteers at the Arboretum. He is growing his confidence and he is learning to become an independent and valuable member of the society and community he lives in."

Local mother and volunteer.

The Euroa Arboretum is a truly special place. Since becoming involved as a volunteer I have gained a deep appreciation for the value of balancing thoughtful ecological restoration with a strong focus on community.

The team at the Arboretum has expanded my knowledge of land care and management and helped me feel a valued participant alongside others from the local area. Activities here provide purpose while the connections with fellow volunteers is a boon.

Euroa Arboretum Volunteer

The women's weaving circle at the Euroa Arboretum is a unique and nourishing space for women in our community. Many of the women I met were from smaller neighbouring communities such as Ruffy, Strathbogie and Boho, a few were new to the area. Vic and Isabel were very welcoming and engaging teachers in the art of traditional weaving. I think the combination of weaving with natural materials, yarning about Taungurung country and the welcoming way Cath creates the space with the fire and food is the best well-being activity for women I have ever encountered in the Euroa area. I hope it can continue.

Euroa Arboretum women's weaving group member

The Arb has become our cherished island paradise retreat. Despite being nestled next to the freeway, the tranquil ambiance dominates as soon as we arrive, even amidst the hum of passing trucks and cars. We love to start our visit with a leisurely bike ride and then take a stroll around the serene lake, observing fishermen trying their luck. The pathways and walkways around the Arb provide a brief respite, making it easy to escape for a moment and enjoy a gentle stroll. We have had the pleasure of discovering several bush tucker items, and finding native edible bush foods is always a treat. The Arb has been an absolute delight for our children, as it serves as an ideal location for their bush kinder activities, and we've become accustomed to celebrating their birthdays at the facilities. The children adore playing, running around, and connecting with nature, making it a cherished experience for all. Sharing these memories with friends in the Arb is an exceptional and special way to connect with our local community, and we are grateful that it is only a few moments' drive from our town. We eagerly anticipate making even more memories and seeing the Arb grow more intertwined with the community.

Euroa arboretum volunteer

I have cancer. Unfortunately it is a rare type for which there is no treatment or cure. My life since diagnosis now revolves around medical appointments and diagnostic tests to monitor my condition.

I have always been a keen gardener, so to be able to spend time at the Euroa Arboretum nursery is a real treat. I have learned so much since I started my volunteer work at the nursery. The staff at the facility are so lovely. They are kind, helpful and friendly. I am able to work to suit my health (if I am having a bad day I only work an hour or so). Every small amount of work I do at the facility is valued by staff who are verbally grateful for any work done. Other volunteers are all lovely and they happily pass on tips and ideas on how to do the required work as we work. Some of the volunteers have been attending the facility for years! The work you do is not physically demanding. There is no expectation to rush to get work done and you have choices on what work you would like to do on the day. As you work you have some great conversations with those around you.

This work day in the nursery is the highlight of my week. I get the opportunity to forget about my problems and engage in work that is productive and beneficial to the environment plus has the added bonus of being a social outlet. Conversations with like minded people often results in really interesting information sharing.

The area surrounding the Arboretum nursery is beautiful. Birds, frogs and other creatures move in and around the nursery adding an amazing dimension of sound and a pleasant distraction.

We are so fortunate to have this nursery in our community and even more fortunate to have such a dedicated team of wonderful people to run the facility.

Euroa Arboretum volunteer

We are also hosting a Woodlands and Wildflower day on Saturday 28th October. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer at the Euroa Arboretum please visit our website:

Charlotte Langman <http://euroaarboretum.com.au/>



BUSH FIRE SUNDAY

Sunday 29th October 2023

Yep I know it's cold and you most probably won't be thinking about the fire season, however, because we have chosen to live in an acknowledged bush fire prone area it is appropriate that we start to consider our preparedness well in advance

The Bush Fire Sunday training day is run every year either just before or at the start of the fire season with the aim being to help to prepare the community in the event of a bush fire, remembering your preparedness could help to prevent a serious event.

Topics covered will include preparation of personal fire plans, preparation of property, fire alarms, establishing fire guard groups, use of UHF radios.

The day is open to everyone, doesn't matter where you live, so please put the date in your diary.

More information will be provided progressively as we draw closer to the date.

Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

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Further info to follow soon.

Kim Usher

CFA Community Safety Officer.

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Peranbin Primary College Strathbogie Campus

We had a fabulous week doing all things Book Week! This year's theme was Read, Grow, Inspire! At Strathbogie we focused on Mem Fox including a Mem Fox Magic Party. We even made lamingtons because that's what Hush the possum to become visible again.



On Wednesday we started to make a Book Week Tree that shows Read, Grow, Inspire!

On Thursday we finished the tree and made some posters for the front fence and we made lamington for the Mem Fox Magic Party.

We have read lots of the stories from the Book Council Awards, my favourite was Lionel and Me by Corinne Fenton.

Dan

On Tuesday we started to do the posters for Book Week. We made a tree with the logo Read, Grow, Inspire! Which is this years Book Week theme.

On Wednesday we had art and made flower pots from paper to make the sign for the front fence.

On Thursday we made lamingtons, because that's what made some of Hush the Possum come back so she could be seen.

Maggie and Clara

The Peranbin Athletic Sports was held at Benalla on the 1st of September. Well done to all the students for participating and encouraging each other. Congratulations to Dan Dealy for qualifying for the regional level in long jump, we wish you the best of luck Dan.

We were fortunate to have James, a local horseman, come to visit the students to talk about all things horses. He has organised for this year's Melbourne Cup to come to Strathbogie on Tuesday 10th of October.



Congratulations to Carissa and Flynn for receiving the Principal's Award.